



Dear Parents/Carers,

This afternoon we enjoyed a wonderful poetry recital assembly performed by Mrs Stone's class, based around the theme of mental health. A huge thank you to all the pupils in 6LS for their hard work and preparation over the past week.

The children confidently performed *The Eagle* by Alfred Lord Tennyson, *The Magic Box* by Kit Wright and *Thanksgiving* - a joyful song that reminds us to praise God and be thankful in all circumstances, especially when facing life's storms.

Catholic Life and Mission

This week the classes have each said a decade of the Rosary in class to mark the special month of Mary. The children have reflected on how they can look to Mary as an example and as a friend who prays with us. Year 2 set the mission to speak to Mary and say a Hail Mary every day, while Year 6 encouraged everyone to be like Mary by listening attentively and following instructions the first time.

Harvest Celebration of the Word

On Thursday 16th October we will hold our Harvest Liturgies in the school halls, led by our Chaplaincy teams. We hope you can join us. Please see the times at the end of the newsletter for each site.

As part of our commitment to helping those in need, we are asking for donations to support Braunstone Foodshare. If possible, we would like each child to bring at least one item so that we can offer a generous collection for the foodbank after our liturgy. Please send any donations into school with your child by Thursday 16th October. Every little helps!

Chaplaincy Retreat Day

On Monday the Junior Chaplaincy team enjoyed a wonderful day with our Lead Lay Chaplain Tom Shannon and Miss Lawes at St Patrick's Catholic Church. They spent time getting to know one another and developing their teamwork skills. The children also made new friends from Bishop Ellis Catholic Primary School in Thurmaston and St Francis Catholic Primary School in Melton Mowbray.





Stars of the



CTK Infants

RSL	Matteo, Roohan, Marwah, Isabel, Mihail
RHM	Daniel, Nima, Neriah, Aidhan, Ezekiel
RAG	Elijah, Eveiana, Theo, Jeremy, Frances
1RH	Jan
1HF	Aileen
1ER	Grace
2SN	Janelle D
2NT	Anastasia
2WB	Chimex

CTK Juniors

3KR	Mia
3GH	Kamali
3TP	Maisey
4MH	Otto
4HD	Alexandra
4GO	Yosan
5TO	Szymon
5WG	Theo
5AL	Olivia
6SB	Iga
6LS	Fateh
6SF	Ann

Each week, the teacher selects a pupil for the *Star of the Week* award in recognition of their hard work and pride in the presentation of their work. Well done to our Stars this week!

Head of School Awards

Infant Site	Fleur, Evelyn, Manuel, Shevonne (RSL)
Junior Site	Isabella (5WG)

Congratulations to Fleur, Evelyn, Manuel and Shevonne and Isabella who have received the 'Head of School' Award this week. Mrs Glassford and Mrs Marshall nominate pupils each week for something marvellous they have noticed throughout the week. Well done!

Our History Week

To celebrate the rich diversity of our school, we celebrated 'Our History' this week. Thank you to all our parents who came into school to talk to our children about their culture, family history and for sharing their family stories. It was a wonderful and enriching experience for the children. Here are some pictures of our diverse school family united under Christ the King...



Attendance

We take pride in our attendance at CTK and want to share this with you. Our winning classes last week were:

1st place: Miss Hall and Miss Lawes class with 100%

2nd Place: Miss Hynes and Mrs Hainsworth's classes with 99.7%

3rd Place: Mr Dunn's class with 99.4%

Our target is always to have attendance above 97%. Last week, attendance across all year groups was 97.6%. Well done, everyone! Your support with ensuring all children have a good level of attendance is wonderful. Please remember that excellent attendance leads to amazing achievements.

Personal Development

Fire Safety Workshops

Our Year 5 children enjoyed a fire safety talk this week with members of the Fire Service. It was a very informative session where they learned about electrical overloads and how easily fires can spread. They also learned about the importance of having smoke detectors in our homes and how to test them.



Year 1 Indian Dancing

On Thursday, Year 1 had a special visitor called Sunita who came into school to tell the children about a festival that she celebrates called Diwali. She taught them about her Hindu beliefs and the children listened to the story of Diwali. The children had the chance to dress up in Indian style clothes and tried some traditional Indian dances.



Parents' Evening

Parents' Evening will take place on *Tuesday 14th and Wednesday 15th October* next week. The target reports were sent home today. We look forward to seeing you and having the opportunity to discuss your child's progress. You are welcome to bring your child with you to the meeting if you wish.

World Mental Health Day

Today we marked World Mental Health Day by wearing yellow and taking part in a range of activities to promote wellbeing across the school. Earlier in the week, the Mental Health Support Team (MHST) visited to deliver the *Hello Yellow* assembly for our junior children, helping them to understand the importance of looking after their mental health. They also ran a drop-in session, giving children the opportunity to share their worries and learn strategies for managing their feelings in a supportive environment.

Mrs Valente led an assembly for the infant children today, helping them to recognise different feelings and think about simple ways to care for their own wellbeing.

Thank you for your generous donations to Young Minds.



Wellbeing TOP TIP for October

Spend some time talking to each other about the poster below. The children have started to learn the importance of looking after their minds as well as their bodies this week, and these simple things can be done at any age to help calm and ground us any time of the day.





The Virtue of Gratitude



With just one week left of this half term, we would like to encourage our children to practise the virtue of gratitude by writing a thank you note to someone they think has helped them this half term - this may include their friends or the adults working with them. We will be reminding the children about this during our Monday morning assembly and the children can collect a thank you note template from their class teacher. It would be a very positive end to the half term if there was lots of sharing of thank you notes! Please encourage your child to take part.

Online Safety

Please click the [link](#) which provides 10 tips for parents on developing healthy sleep patterns.

Friends of Christ the King Parents' Association

The PA are holding a Christmas Fair on Saturday 29th November between 11am-2pm and they are also organising Christmas parties and discos for our children. If you can support or help with the preparations of any of these events, then come along to the next meeting on Tuesday 28th October at 6.00pm on the Infant Site.

We will be holding a non-uniform day on Friday 17th October in exchange for donations of chocolate and bottles of alcohol for the Tombola stall. If you are able to donate, please send your contributions to the school office before Thursday 20th November. Thank you for your support.

Dates for your Diary

A reminder that CTK will be closed on **Friday 21st November** for staff training.

Thought for the Week

"God has created me to do Him some definite service; He has committed some work to me which He has not committed to another. I have my mission. I may never know it in this life, but I shall be told it in the next"

Saint John Henry Newman

God bless,

Annie Carter and the CTK Team



Term Dates Advent 1 2025

Monday 13th October	EYFS Parents Afternoon 1.15-3.00pm
Tuesday 14th October	EYFS Parents Afternoon 1.15-3.00pm
Tuesday 14th October	Parents' Evening 3:10pm—7:00pm
Wednesday 15th October	Parents' Evening 3:10pm—5:00pm
Thursday 16th October	Harvest Celebration of the Word — Parents Welcome Infants 9:00 Juniors 14:15
Thursday 16th October	All Harvest donations for Braunstone Foodshare to be donated by today, please
Thursday 16th October	EYFS Parents Afternoon 1.15-3.00pm
Friday 17th October	School finishes for the October Half Term <i>Normal school closure times</i>
Friday 17th October	NON- UNIFORM DAY
Week beginning 20th Oct	School closed for half term
Monday 27th October	School reopens for Advent 2 term
Week beginning 27th Oct	Catholic Social Teaching Week at CTK
Monday 27th October	Year 6 & Year 2 Joint Mass with Fr John—Junior Hall @ 2:00pm Parents Welcome
Tuesday 28th October	Parents' Association Meeting Infant Site @6:00pm
Tuesday 28th October	Year 6 trip to Beaumanor Hall
Tuesday 28th October	School Photos - Infant site (Siblings who are on different sites can have their photo taken together at 15:30 on the Infant Site)
Wednesday 29th October	Y6 Parent Information Session on KS2 SATs @ 2:30pm - Junior Site
Thursday 30th October	Inspire Workshops for Year 4 Parents on theme of Rosary @9:00am Junior Site
Thursday 30th October	Open Day for Prospective Parents @ 2:00pm Infant Site
Tuesday 4th November	School Photos - Junior site (CHANGED DATE)



Term Dates Advent 2 2025 continued...

Friday 14th Nov - 19th Nov	Scholastic Book Fair arrives on Infant and Junior Site
Tuesday 18th November	Parents' Association Meeting @18:00 Infant site
Friday 21st November	INSET Day - School Closed
Sunday 23rd November	Feast of Christ the King Family Mass Blessed Sacrament 9:30am-children to attend in school uniform
Saturday 29th November	PTA Christmas Fair 11:00 –14:00 All Families welcome <i>If you are able to help please contact the school office.</i>
Friday 5th December	Menphys Carol Concert (evening)
Monday 8th December	Reception Christmas Carol Concert @14:15
Tuesday 9th December	Reception Christmas Carol Concert @ 9:15
Tuesday 16th December	Christmas Dinner and Christmas Jumper Day
Wednesday 17th December	Junior Pantomime @ De Montfort Hall for Year 3-6
Wednesday 17th December	Infant Christmas Parties - come in party clothes
Thursday 18th December	PTA Junior Christmas Discos Year 3 and Year 4: 17:00-18:00 Year 5 and Year 6: 18:15-19:15
Friday 19th December	School closes for Christmas holidays <i>Normal school closure times</i>
Monday 5th January 2026	School reopens